

I am a staunch supporter of XM radio and satellite radio in general. It was my dissatisfaction with "conventional" radio that led me to seek out an alternative. The premium I pay for satellite service is one of the best values I have come across as a consumer.

What does this premium yield? Well, the traffic & weather reports deliver timely information that can be utilized in real time. The NAB's members can only deliver fragments of information and do so in time intervals that do not benefit the consumer of this type of information.

Above all else, I oppose NAB for simply standing against the evolution of technologies that benefit consumers. I certainly have little pity for any organization that seeks protection instead of innovation as their means to remaining a going concern.

XM radio has an entrepreneurial spirit that has delivered quality programming. I urge you to reject NAB's petition 04-160.

Sincerely,

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